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### Interview Summary

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 10 October 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal (copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant

2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes

e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: Claim 30, in particular.

Identification of prior art discussed: \_\_\_\_\_.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed the rejection of claim 30, under 112.2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph provided in the Final rejection mailed 8/22/08. Applicant stated that claim language was not vague, because inputting step was inferential. Examiner explained that no "inputting" step was not positively recited in the claim. Examiner suggested Applicant submit additional arguments in a formal written response, for further consideration.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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/Rachel L. Porter/  
Examiner, Art Unit 3626